

## CURTAIN RING DOWN ON LEWIS, OF DALY'S.

The Old-Young Actor Whom  
Everybody Loved Is  
No More.

James Lewis Would Have Been  
Sixty Had He Lived Two  
Seasons Longer.

Drifted Into Stage Life by Accident  
and Met Thereafter Only Fa-  
voring Winds.

FAVORITE AT HOME AND ABROAD.

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His Funeral Will Doubtless Be One of  
the Most Notable in Years.

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He had only to enter a street car, a store, any public place, in fact, to bring a smile of pleasure to the face of every second man who saw him. Lewis's features once seen on the stage were never forgotten.

His acting was a delight to the eye. Severe critics condemned him for falling to hide his own identity under the role of his part. It was a just criticism, as far as the critic was concerned, but there were few who did not prefer the genial, misanthropic, sweet character of Lewis to any that ever was concocted by pen. But now the curtain has been rung down, and when the prompter's bell rings again there will be no "Old Lewis" to respond.

**Boyhood of the Famous Actor.**

His life was uneventful. Born in Troy, this State, in 1838, he spent his early years in various business offices. As a boy he was passionately fond of the theatre, and before he was twenty he joined an amateur company. When he was fifteen years old he became a school teacher in Troy, and might to the day of his death have occupied that position had it not been for a peculiar circumstance.

One Sunday morning in December, 1857, an actor named Wood called upon Lewis and begged him as an old friend to take his place in the Troy Museum on the following Monday evening. Wood explained that he must go to New York on an important mission, and that he was unable to take his friend's part, and on the following day appeared at rehearsal.

Sidney Wilkins, then manager of the Troy Museum, looked at the young man and promptly refused to let him take the part. Lewis begged hard.

"Only let me go through the rehearsal," he pleaded. The manager relented, and when the rehearsal was over told Lewis to report for duty on Monday evening. The play was Morton's "Widling of the Wall," and before the first scene was over the manager was figuring on Lewis's future career.

Wood failed to return, and Manager Wilkins induced Lewis to accept a permanent engagement with the Troy Museum, beginning of his theatrical career.

The following season he played at the old Grace Theatre in Albany, and later, at the beginning of the South under the management of W. M. Fleming. When the civil war broke out he was playing at Montgomery, Ala., with John Wilkes Booth as leading man.

He played one season under the management of John Elderly and travelled until 1865, when he appeared in this city as first comedian in Mrs. Woods's Olympic Theatre, where he played the part of John Strong in "Katie and the Kid."

**His Long Career with Daly.**

In 1867 he played at the Boston and Continental theatres in Boston. The following season he came to this city again and appeared at Lena Edwards's Theatre.

When in 1869 Augustin Daly assumed management of the Fifth Avenue, now Hoyt's, he engaged Lewis, who made his first appearance on September 6 as Hibbs in "Dreams." He remained under Mr. Daly's management to the day of his death, playing at the Fifth Avenue Theatre, the present Fifth Avenue Theatre, and at the Daly's Theatre of today.

As a rule Lewis played the opposite parts to Mrs. Gilbert, who is the oldest member of Daly's company. The main plays in which they acted were "Seven Years' Eight," "The Taming of the Shrew," "A Night Out," "The Railroad of Love," and "The Big Bow-wow," which Mr. Daly is to revive in October, and in which Lewis was to have played his last part.

One of his greatest hits was as Bob Sackett, in "The Taming of the Shrew." He was also the original Dick Swiveller. In Europe he won great success, many of the English papers naming him as a leader among comedians. One paper said:

"On the stage his presence is felt like a cheering gleam of sunshine after a heavy thunder storm. He has the faculty of slipping into a character as into a transparent garment, allowing his own comical personality to shine through it."

He was married many years, but had no children.

Mr. Lewis returned from London August 22 and went directly to Westhampton, where, with Mr. and Mrs. John Drew and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Miller, he had rented a cottage.

Last Sunday Mr. Lewis and Mr. Drew went fishing. Lewis was in excellent health and spirits. When informed of Mr. Lewis's sudden death yesterday, Mr. Drew was completely overcome, and could hardly credit the news. The body will be brought to this city by the first train this morning. Funeral arrangements will not be completed until a conference is held with his friends.

The actor's body will be taken to his late residence in the Albany apartment house, at Fifty-second street and Broadway.

**Monument to John Hancock.**

Boston, Sept. 10.—In memory of John Hancock, the first Governor of Massachusetts under the Constitution, was unveiled today. It is a noble monument, situated above the old site of the Granary Burying Ground. The monument was unveiled by Miss Mary Elizabeth Wood, daughter of Elizabeth Lloyd Hancock, Wood, whose grandfather, John Hancock, was the nephew and heir of the famous revolutionary patriot.

## PANIC-CRAZED WOMEN ON FIRE-ESCAPES.

Another Incendiary Blaze  
Started on Columbus  
Avenue.

Five Story Tenement with a  
Hundred Inmates Menaced  
by Flames.

Mothers with Babies in Their Arms  
Were Prevented with Difficulty  
from Jumping.

FIRE WAS STARTED IN THE CELLAR.

Two Boys Were Seen Leaving the Base-  
ment at the Time—Firemen's Prompt  
Work Saved Serious Damage  
from Being Done.

Firebugs again seem to be making attempts to burn down Columbus avenue flats. The incendiary fire in the tenement at No. 767 Columbus avenue on Wednesday night was followed yesterday by a fire and panic in the five-story tenement at No. 771 Columbus avenue. Incendiaries in this last attempt piled kindling wood and paper in the cellar of the house and started it blazing.

Mrs. Frank Dessan, who is a tenant on the first floor of No. 771, noticed the smell of smoke about 3:30 yesterday afternoon. She also heard the crackling of rapidly burning wood.

Going into the hall she saw smoke pouring from the stairway leading to the cellar. On going closer to the door she saw the flames. She screamed and ran for other ways, where she continued to shriek until all of the 100 occupants of the house were alarmed.

As Mrs. Dessan ran into the yard she saw two boys clamber over the fence. They had evidently come from the cellar of the house and she is positive they were the firebugs.

**All the Tenants in a Panic.**

Mrs. Dessan's alarm was followed by wild screams in the tenement. Those who had children rushed about in an effort to find them and take them to places of safety. Others tried to pack up the most valuable of their belongings, and in this attempt blocked the halls. This added to the confusion, for it partially closed some of the passages to the fire escapes. Tenants who thought they were shut off from the escapes became frantic with terror.

The halls were rapidly filling with smoke and they expected to see the flames burst through the floor every moment. None of the tenants on the upper floors would attempt to descend the interior stairway from the second to the ground floor. The clouds of smoke which poured from the door of the stairway, led them to believe that death would follow any effort of the kind, so the fire-escapes were soon crowded with frightened men and women. One mother was so terrified that she was restrained from throwing her baby from the second story only by main force on the part of some of the others who had not lost all self-control.

**Spectators Tried to Quiet Fears.**

Policeman Mullen, of the West One Hundredth Street Station, had sent in an alarm, and engines were soon in front of the house. People on the sidewalk had done what they could to quiet those on the fire escapes by telling them that ladders would soon be at hand. They had not the presence of mind to lower the ladder at the first alarm.

The firemen soon had ladders up and were taking the women to the ground. Mrs. John Costello and her three children were the first taken from the escape. They were on the third landing. Then Mrs. O'Brien and her child followed. Mrs. Raymond and baby and Mrs. J. Lewis were taken from the second floor. In the meantime streams had been playing on the flames in the basement. They were soon quenched, and the other people on the escape realized they were out of danger. The entire damage did not amount to more than \$100.

About a month ago Michael Tobias, of No. 773 Columbus avenue, caught two boys in his cellar. They were lighting matches when he discovered them.

**WAR OVER "HALF A KING."**

Colonel Milliken Seeks to Enjoin Wilson & Canby from Producing the Play.

There is trouble ahead for "Half a King," the comic opera that Francis Wilson is to produce at the Knickerbocker Theatre Monday night. Colonel J. F. Milliken, who has written and adapted several plays, says "Half a King" is another name for "Benvenuto," a musical comedy he adapted from the French several years ago and produced at the Tivoli Opera House, San Francisco.

The Colonel has applied to the Supreme Court for an injunction restraining Wilson and his manager, A. H. Canby, from producing the opera. He states in his petition that unless his petition is granted he will lose a base to the estimated amount of \$30,000. Copy of the summons and complaint was served on Messrs. Canby and Wilson yesterday. The answer is due in court in twenty days.

Mr. Canby said last night that "Half a King" was an adaptation of a work by Eugene Ionesco, and that the music, he declared, had been almost entirely rewritten by Ludwig Engländer, and the text revised and brought up to date.

**GREAT STEAMSHIP LAUNCHED.**

Hamburg-American Liner to Have a Displacement of 30,000 Tons.

Belfast, Sept. 10.—The Hamburg-American Steamship Company's new twin-screw steamer Pennsylvania was successfully launched from the Harland & Wolff shipyards today.

The new vessel is the largest merchant steamer afloat, being of 30,000 tons displacement and 20,000 tons carrying capacity. She is 585 feet long, 62 feet beam and 42 feet deep.

The Pennsylvania is designed to make an average speed of fourteen knots an hour, and to have a passenger capacity of 200 first cabin, 150 second cabin and 1,000 steerage.

**Grass Walkers' Time Extended.**

The Knapp cure advocates or anybody else may walk in North Meadow, Central Park, in any kind of weather, between 6 and 8 a. m., just as long as they do not hurt the grass. This was decided on at a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners yesterday.

**John Chamberlain Left Only \$5,000.**

Letters of administration were granted to Emily Maria Chamberlain, widow of the late John F. Chamberlain, yesterday by Surrogate Arnold. The widow places the value of the personal estate at \$5,000, and says there is no real estate.

**Kill all the sick people. Improve the race. That's the old Greek system. The president of a humane society favors doing it now. See his article written for the Sunday Journal.**

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JAMES LEWIS



JAMES LEWIS AND HERBERT CRESHAM  
AS LAUNCE AND SPEED

James Lewis, the Veteran Actor, Who Died Yesterday.

This man, who was perhaps more popular and better known than any other non-starring actor in America, died suddenly at his country home in Westhampton, L. I., of heart failure. He was born in 1838, and had won honors in many parts on the boards.

**MANLEY'S MODEST ESTIMATE.**

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given this morning as bolting the Chicago ticket?

"No importance whatever. They were not in touch with the people."

"What of ex-Senator Bradbury?"

"He was a bank man and had gone over to the Republicans. He was controlled by his interests. He was a rich man and had no popular sympathy or influence."

"You refer to bank influences," I said.

"What are they doing?"

"They are fighting free silver," he replied. "A silver man called at an Augusta bank the other day with a check for \$25, and they threw down the whole amount in silver dollars, which were refused—and then they would not give anything but silver certificates. And the bankers have gotten up what they call 'free silver purses,' a large long, with big steel clasps. They look like ladies' stockings, and people are told that that was the sort of thing they would need in which to carry 'free silver.'"

"How did it happen that the Republican majority was so small in 1892?"

"It was because President Harrison was far from popular in this State."

"How did the Democratic vote happen to run down to thirty thousand two years ago?"

"That was due to the unpopularity of Cleveland, largely, and grew in part from the distribution of offices and in part because Cleveland was disliked by the old Greenbackers and others opposed to Wall Street."

**Working of Manley's System.**

"What do you think of the estimates given out by the Republicans of 20,000 plurality?" I asked Mr. Manley.

"That," he responded, "is Manley's system. He expects to do more—much more. The Republicans are doing harder work than ever was done in the State, and they have plenty of money and are not calling for local subscriptions. Take the townships of China. It has four post offices. Within four weeks there have been sixteen meetings in China, each with an orator and a band of music."

"What! Sixteen orators and sixteen bands of music to one town?"

"Yes, sixteen to one."

"What are the people going to do?"

"The general result, I think, will be that we shall lose in the cities and gain in the country."

"Do you concede to Manley his twenty thousand majority, which he has just estimated and given out?"

"Yes, I concede his estimate; but he will be disappointed in his great expectations."

"What do you think of the statement of Mr. Deane, who says the Republicans can be held down to their plurality of 12,503—that of September, 1892?"

"I think he is in error. The Republican plurality will be larger."

## FLYING MACHINE SOARED TOO SOON.

Prof. Chanute's "Aeroplane"  
Rose a Hundred Feet  
with Four Men.

Event Was Not on the "Pro-  
gramme and Was Due to  
a Perverse Wind.

Quartette of Scientists Experiment  
with Bird-Like Contrivances  
at Miller, Ind.

GRAVITATION TO BE DISCOUNTED.

If the Wind Blows Toward Lake Michigan  
To-day Another Trial Will Be Made  
by Men Who Are Not Averse  
to a Bath.

Chicago, Sept. 10.—Professor Octave Chanute and his party of scientists, who are experimenting with machines intended to overcome the law of gravitation and

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**First Trial of Paul's Machine.**

All of the party expect that Mr. Paul's machine will be the most successful of the three, and the greatest interest is attached to its initial trial. This machine is provided with four corners, which will rest upon a chute, which has been erected on a sand hill. The upper end of the chute is sixty feet from the ground, while the lower end is seventy-seven feet from the lake level. The entire structure is 450 feet from the lake, and it is confidently expected that the albatross who rides in it, probably Mr. Paul himself, will secure a good bath in Lake Michigan before he comes to the end of his journey.

Mr. Paul is confident of success, and his trial will be witnessed by many who are neither scientists nor newspaper men.

Besides Mr. Chanute, the scientific party consists of two young civil engineers, F. D. Paul and H. T. Herrington, and of Mr. Howard T. Ricketts, of the Chicago Medical College, who will act as surgeon to the party. All of the men are scientifically educated and none is a wild-eyed and crazy old crank, such as are usually associated in the minds of most people with flying machines.

Chanute himself is well advanced in years of national reputation, was for many years the chief engineer of the Erie Railway, and was the constructing engineer of the big bridge at Kansas City.

**REAL WEDDING ON THE STAGE.**

Edith Hughes and Dave Barton United While the Audience Said "Oh-h-h."

Edith Hughes, a comely actress, and Dave Barton, a strapping colored man, were married on the stage of Miller's Eighth Avenue Theatre last night in the presence of the audience. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. H. Boswell, former pastor of the West Sixty-seventh Street Baptist Church. Harry Eakon was the best man, and Miss Eakon the bridesmaid.

The marriage took place only after a deal of trouble for the now happy pair. Miss Hughes, under the name of Eliza Bennett, is a member of the "Colored Sports" company. Her husband also belongs to the same organization, and he brought her to the theatre a few months ago, and joined the theatrical company, where she met and loved Eakon.

The announcement that they were to be married at the theatre last night reached her aunt, Maria Keys, who has been Edith's guardian since her arrival in this country. Mrs. Keys tried to dissuade Edith from making the marriage, but she failed to convince her. She applied to the Jefferson Market Court yesterday for a summons to compel her niece to bring suit claiming that the bride-to-be was not yet of age. Edith soon convinced Magistrate Cornell that she was almost twenty and able to judge for herself, and he dismissed the case.

Outside of court Mrs. Keys made an effort to take her niece away by force, but Manager Moses, of the theatre, hustled the girl into a carriage and drove hastily to the playhouse.

The theatre was packed to the doors during the evening, and when the groom kissed his bride there was a prolonged "Oh-h-h" from the audience. A cake walk was then held, the young couple, of course, winning the coveted prize.

**COOK NOT IN THE RACE.**

Former Democratic Secretary of State Says He Is Not a Candidate for Governor this Fall.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 10.—The fact that a large and increasing number of Democrats in the State of New York are turning to Frederick Cook, of this city, as the only logical as well as the strongest candidate for Governor this fall on the Democratic ticket, is becoming so apparent that it seems as if he had only to announce his candidacy before the Buffalo Convention and he would receive the nomination.

"I am not a candidate," he said to-night, however. "I am not a candidate for any office."

**Compromised on Dr. John F. Sherman.**

The disorderly nature of the Republican Convention held three weeks ago at No. 224 East Eighty-first street, when the police had to be called in to keep order between rival factions, made the leaders of that party, seated with peculiar powers to effect a fusion with Populists and gold standard Democrats.

**To Effect Fusion in Texas.**

Fort Worth, Tex., Sept. 10.—The Republican State Convention adjourned sine die this afternoon after authorizing the State chairman to appoint a campaign committee, and to select with peculiar powers to effect a fusion with Populists and gold standard Democrats.

**Dutton Indicted for Perjury.**

Stephen A. Dutton, the real estate dealer, of No. 147 West Seventy-third street, who is in the State of New York, was indicted yesterday for perjury.

Thousands of men are afraid of the lightning, and yet not one man in ten thousand is ever killed by it. Few men are afraid of consumption, and yet it causes one-sixth of all the deaths in the world. It is more deadly than either war or pestilence. Any sort of wasting disease may lead to consumption. Any slight disorder of the respiratory organs may easily develop it. Weakness of the body, emaciation, lack of vitality are plain invitations for the germs of consumption. Consumption is not entirely a disease of the lungs. It is a disease of the blood that shows itself most strongly in the present. It is not as it used to be considered—incurable. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery has changed all that. It will cure ninety-eight per cent. of all cases of consumption if taken in time. It is the most wonderful blood maker and flesh builder in the world. It cures where doctors have failed. It has brought back to life hundreds of men and women who were considered as good as dead.

Mrs. Nancy E. Tabb, of Amory, Monroe Co., Miss., writes: "About ten years ago I suffered from nervous prostration resulting in other troubles which my family physician pronounced consumption. I doctored with him until I was nearly dead. I finally happened to see one of Dr. Pierce's Little Medical Books, and saw his medicine recommended and thought I would try it, and got one bottle of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and 'Favorite Prescription'—and one bottle of 'Pellets.' As soon as I began to use these medicines my health began to improve, and before I had used one-half dozen bottles I felt almost as strong as I ever was. I was cured of my nervous prostration. Two years ago I had a little boy who seemed to be subject to phthisis (asthma) and I thought I would try Dr. Pierce's Little Medical Books. I bought one and gave it to him. He took it and was surprised it cured him entirely; he has never had another attack."

**Retched the Ground Safely.**

The combined weight of the four scientists, however, soon brought it again to the ground, when it was speedily placed under control by furling its wings, weighting down its framework and otherwise disabling it. After they had been rescued from their unexpected and perilous positions, and after the machine had been safely confined, all made merry over the ludicrous positions in which they had seen each other.

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## SILVER TIDE STILL RISING.

Member of the Democratic National Com-  
mittee Returns from Western Tour  
with Glowing Accounts.

Chicago, Sept. 10.—J. G. Johnson, member of the Democratic National Executive Committee from Kansas, returned to headquarters to-day from a two weeks' trip through Minnesota, North and South Dakota, Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, Kansas and other Western States. Mr. Johnson reports that Bryan movement is at fever heat in all these States and that the free silver ticket will carry every one of them.

Advises from Michigan received to-day by Chairman Cannon, of the National Campaign Committee, indicate that the free silver tide is rising a state at a tremendous rate, pointing to an overwhelming majority for Bryan in November. A poll has just been completed of Grand County, one of the biggest Republican strongholds in the State. The normal Republican majority is 2,000, but the poll just taken reveals the fact that Bryan will carry the county by 1,200 majority.

A letter from John S. Brown, chairman of the Democratic County Committee, Rochester, N. Y., says that the silver sentiment among farmers and workmen in that section of the State is simply amazing.

**SENATOR TILLMAN ACCEPTS.**

Will Meet Rudolph M. Patterson in Joint Debate.

Chicago, Sept. 10.—Rudolph M. Patterson, a young Republican of this city, recently challenged Senator Tillman, of South Carolina, to a joint debate on the money question.

To-day he received a reply from the Senator accepting the challenge and agreeing to meet him at either Chicago or New York, the latter city preferred.

**Cady Is Not a Candidate.**

Hartford, Conn., Sept. 10.—Senator-elect Governor Ernest Cady, of this city, announced to-day that he is not a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor, and would not accept it. He says he is against the election of Bryan, and will not vote for him.

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